

PORTUGUESE CABINET OUT; FRENCH LOSE HALF OF ARMY

TERRITORIALS SUFFER MOSTLY SAYS REPORT

Allies Using Tunnel-Boring Apparatus For Subterranean Attacks on Germans Declares British Official Eye-Witness—Open Fighting Has Almost Disappeared in Western Arena—Bomb Throwing Machines Are Used.

London, Dec. 5.—A dispatch to the Exchange telegraph company from Lisbon says all members of the Portuguese cabinet resigned today.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—Today's official statement says: "The French attacks yesterday in Flanders and south of Metz were repulsed. We progressed at La Bassée and in the Argonne forest and region southwest of Altkirch.

"In the fighting east of the Magurian lakes, the situation is favorable for us, and in minor operations there we took twelve hundred prisoners.

"Our operations in Poland are taking a normal course. "Corriere del Terra estimates the losses among the French troops amount to at least fifty per cent of those engaged in the war and the losses of even a greater proportion have been suffered by their territorials."

London, Dec. 5.—The desperate character of hand-to-hand fighting in the assaults on trenches and the use of hand grenades and bomb-throwing machines, are described in the British official eye-witness report on the fighting in the western arena. The report also discloses the allies are using tunnel-boring apparatus for subterranean approaches to the German trenches.

It is said that subterranean life is the rule along the firing line where open fighting has almost disappeared.

PLANS WERE MADE TO VIOLATE SWITZERLAND NEUTRALITY

Paris, Dec. 5.—Proof that the violation of the neutrality of Switzerland was included in Germany's original plans has been found, says the Matin. In the shape of ordinance survey maps discovered among the papers of slain German officers.

GERMANS AND RUSSIANS AWAITING LODZ STRUGGLE

Petrograd, Dec. 5.—The heaviest fighting in the Lodz vicinity in the last two days occurred near Lask. Fifteen miles southwest of Lodz. The fighting appears to indicate that the Germans have been reinforced heavily. On the east front of the Magurian lakes in east Prussia, the Russians have taken position slightly back of

their line of advance of ten days ago, outcome of the struggle at Lodz. The Both sides here seem awaiting the main German forces in this region are concentrated about Mlaw.

The military critic of the Bourse Gazette points out that a large proportion of officers captured from the Austrians indicates a demoralization of the Austrian army. He contrasts this with the results where the Russians are engaged with the Germans. There, he says, officers die fighting.

CARDINAL ANGELO DI PIETRO DEAD IN ROME IS REPORT

London, Dec. 5.—The Central News bureau has received a despatch from its Rome correspondent saying that Cardinal Angelo di Pietro, of the Sacred College died this morning.

CHARGE GRAFT IN INDICTMENTS

Three Chicago Men Involved in Bertische Confessions Facing Law's Action.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Indictments were returned naming two police officers and a former detective involved in the graft confessions of Barney Bertische and the brothers Frank and Jas. Ryan. The defendants, charged with conspiracy to obtain money by fraud and with bribery are Captain James J. Halpin, Lieutenant John Tobin and former Detective Walter O'Brien. O'Brien was dismissed from the force six months ago for alleged complicity in the protection of persons engaged in clairvoyant seances conducted by the Ryans.

Bertische is said to have confessed to state's attorney Hoyne a month ago, implicating the policemen indicted and others not yet formally named in the court proceedings, and the Ryans.

Bertische is said to have admitted himself a go-between in payment of protection money to police. The money which Bertische alleges he handled is said by Hoyne to have come mostly from the Ryans, who confessed to having profited by swindling through clairvoyant seances to the extent of tens of thousands of dollars annually for several years.

According to Hoyne three confessions reinforce each other at every point and that before the case is concluded other policemen will be brought to trial and ratifications of the exposure will be followed in detail through the mass of police corruption involving every form of vice and crime from pocket picking to safe blowing and bank robbery.

DEATH WEDDING EVE

Brothers, Who Objected to Man Mother Was to Marry Are Placed Under Arrest.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Theodore and Otto Wielgorecki, brothers, were arrested at their home today in connection with the mysterious disappearance last night of Joseph Szymanski from their mother's home in Burr Oak, a suburb.

Szymanski was to have married Mrs. Wielgorecki, who is a widow, today. Her nine children, it is said, objected.

Szymanski was last seen alive in the Wielgorecki home. He had been visiting there. It grew late and the widow advised him to sleep in her house. She gave him the spare room and he went to bed.

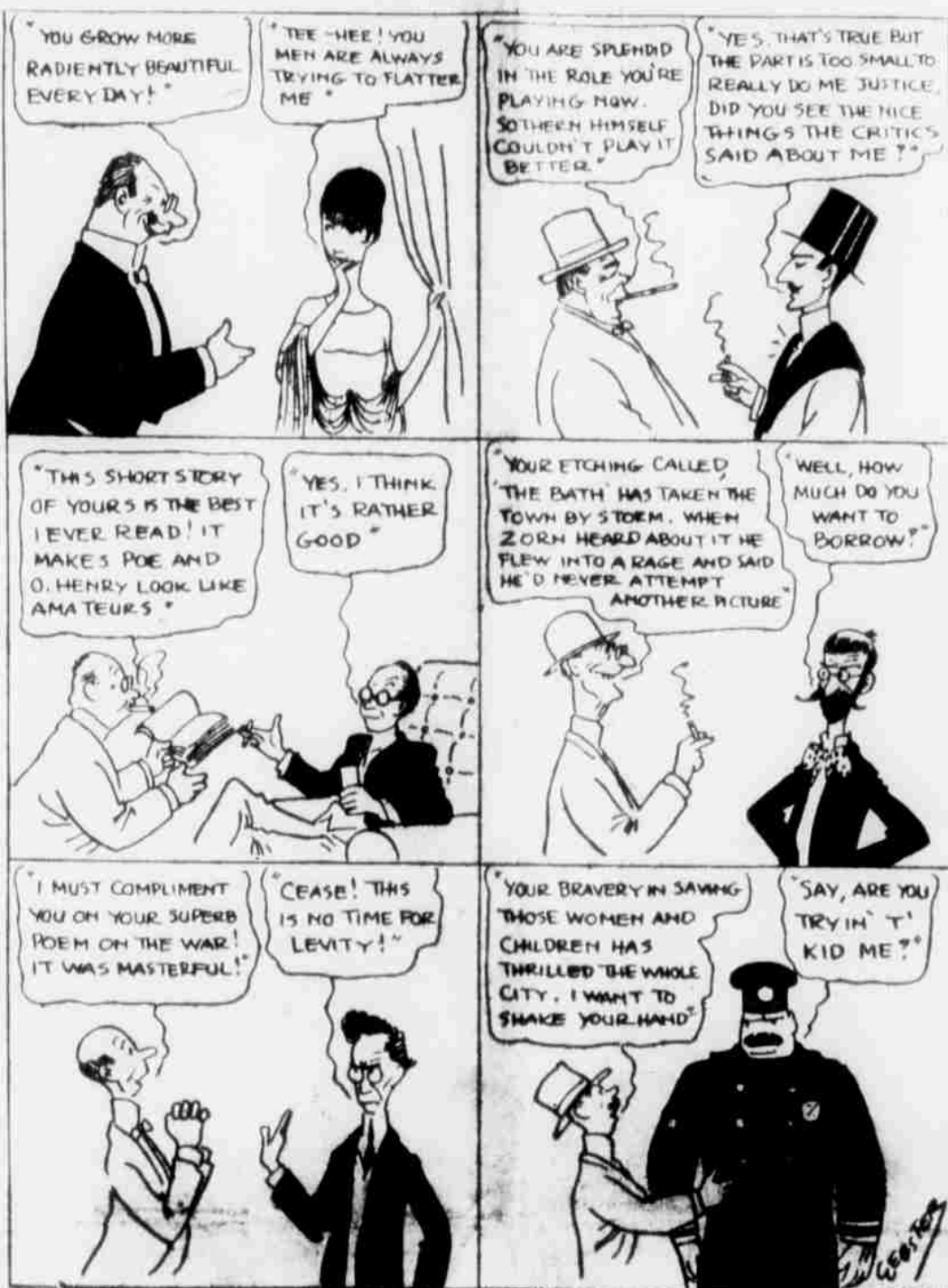
In the morning Mrs. Wielgorecki found his bed empty. The bed clothes were stained with blood. She telephoned the police. Detective George T. Schriener found a trail of blood that led to the Calumet river. The police are dragging for the body today.

NO HARPER ELECTION

Two Candidates for Same Office Get Equal Number of Votes—Attorney General Decides.

Harper county holds the boards again in the matter of election results, and as a consequence one of the county commissioners elected two years ago will hold over for two more years, unless he resigns or is removed for some other cause. Two candidates for the office of county commissioner received the same number of votes, 144. An opinion was sought from the attorney general's office, and S. L. McElhose, assistant attorney general, in an opinion says there was no election. Consequently the incumbent of the office holds until his successor is elected and qualified.

HOW DO YOU ACCEPT A COMPLIMENT?



STORY IS FALSE SAYS KITCHENER

American Writer's Interview With Kitchener Termed Fake By War-Chief.

London, Dec. 3.—The Press Association has announced that it has been officially informed with reference to an interview purporting to have been had by Irving S. Cobb with Lord Kitchener, then called to London and published here "that the language is not that of Lord Kitchener and that his lordship's official representative expresses surprise that it should have been regarded possible Lord Kitchener used such expressions."

The official press bureau has issued the following statement on the subject: "With reference to a so-called interview with Mr. Cobb: Although Lord Kitchener saw Mr. Cobb a few minutes October 21, nothing in the nature of a special interview was granted and the remarks attributed to the secretary of state for war are imaginary."

The interview referred to above was printed by an American weekly magazine and was widely copied by newspapers throughout the country.

New York, Dec. 5.—Irvin S. Cobb made this statement regarding his interview with Lord Kitchener: "By arrangement of a third person of prominence in England I saw Lord Kitchener on October 21 for about forty minutes. I used no pencil and paper during the conversation, following the custom of interviewers. I afterwards reproduced the conversation with Lord Kitchener, as exactly as I could; I did not deliberately or willfully misrepresent him and I am sure that I quoted him correctly. I have had some experience as an interviewer and I have a fairly good memory."

GET THE NEEDLE! COUNCILME CUT THEIR OWN SALARIES

Pittsburgh, Dec. 5.—An action probably without precedent in this state was taken as a master stroke to insure economy in the city's finances when the city's also councilmen cut their salaries \$1,000 a year and passed a motion which practically demands that every city official from the mayor down volunteer to accept a proportionate cut. Cuts of from 5 to 15 per cent were made on all salaries except \$12,000. Council salaries heretofore have been \$6,000.

GREAT EXHIBIT OPENED TODAY

Crowds Gather to See the Manufacturers' Show of Handmade Goods at Numbers 3 and 5 West Main.

Final work on the great manufacturers' exhibit was completed this morning and when at 2:30 the doors were thrown open to the public detail of the gorgeous decoration scheme and the display of the many exhibits was complete. More than 100 manufacturers were represented at the opening and others will be installed before the time for opening Monday.

Two floors of the exhibit building at 3 to 5 West Main were crowded with exhibit booths representing many different lines of household necessities. The booths were loaded artistically with the products of manufacturers from all over the United States, and each article was artistically arranged by expert display dressers from the large stores of the city.

This display rivals the one at the State Fair. The building is one blaze of beauty and lights, trim show girls are behind the counters ready to give information as to their wares and the men in charge of the work will be on hand to direct patrons and visitors to any of the exhibits.

The money derived by the sale of the exhibited articles will be put in the hands of the Oklahoma Panhandle Exposition commission and will go toward the erection of the Oklahoma building at the fair. The greatest hopes are entertained by the members of the commission that the exhibit will be well attended all through the seven days and that a big return will be netted by the different methods of selling the wares and from the many amusing features.

The sale of exhibits will begin Monday to extend through the week until all are sold. Novel ways will be used in disposing of these by auction and straight retailing.

THE WEATHER

Generally cloudy weather tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

7 a. m.	42
8 a. m.	42
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10 a. m.	42
11 a. m.	42
12 noon	42
1 p. m.	42
2 p. m.	42
3 p. m.	42

The southern disturbance has moved northward to Georgia and has caused general rains in the lower Lake region. Ohio and Tennessee valleys and South Atlantic States during the past twenty-four hours. Light rains have fallen in Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and California in connection with the shallow low pressure area that covers the western slope of the Rockies. Except a shower mentioned, there has been no precipitation of consequence since Friday morning. Warm weather has continued in the Ohio and Tennessee valleys. East Gulf and South Atlantic States. Temperatures are generally slightly above the seasonal averages this morning in other sections of the United States.

WIFE USED GUN TO MARRY HIM

Germain Tells of His Strange Courtship and Subsequent Tribulations.

In answer to the cross petition filed by Martha G. Germain, his wife, Fred W. Germain, former deputy state examiner, declares that because of the accusations brought by Mrs. Germain he has suffered a nervous breakdown, has had a stroke of paralysis that has left him practically without the use of his vocal organs and asks that his original petition for divorce be sustained. The petition also alleges that the plaintiff is now without funds and prays that no judgment or costs be assessed against him.

The design of Mrs. Germain's cross petition, he alleges, is simply to work hardship upon himself and predicts that in furtherance of her design, the defendant will do much weeping and will carry on in a hysterical manner in court when the case comes to trial. The story of the life of the two Germans as set forth in the petition filed this morning explains that at the time of their first acquaintance they were both living in St. Paul, and that after keeping company with the woman who afterward became his wife, Germain discovered that she was married.

Seeking to get away from the situation, the plaintiff claims that he gave up a good position there and moved to the town of Stillwater in the same state, and that his fiancée, finding his new place of activities, followed and at the point of a gun demanded that he marry her as soon as a divorce could be obtained from her husband. Through fear of the harm that might befall him if he refused, the petitioner alleges that he entered upon the matrimonial contract.

Germain alleges in the petition that his wife is addicted to a habit not common among women. He tells of having found her with a Doctor King and another woman in a drug store at Hartington, Neb., which was their home at that time. He denies that he ever struck his wife, but admits that at that time he did shake her.

Later, according to the petition, having broken up housekeeping in Oklahoma City, and having stored the household furniture, Germain says that his wife sold the same and applied the proceeds to her own use.

STATE COTTON LOAN COMMITTEE SELECTED

D. W. Hogan, Oklahoma City Banker a Member---Chairman to Be Chosen Before Organization Is Complete—Two Million Dollars Expected to Restore Normal Conditions Here---Conference to Be Held in Washington.

With the announcement today of the selection of members of the Oklahoma cotton loan fund committee and the receipt of news from Washington, D. C., that the general committee at Washington will hold a conference with the chairman of the committee of Oklahoma and of other states in that city on December 14, arrangements are rapidly nearing completion when this state will secure its share of the big \$130,000,000 bankers' fund which is being subscribed to loan on this year's cotton crop.

The Oklahoma committee will be composed of the following: D. N. Fink of Muskogee, J. E. Crosby of Tulsa, Don Lacey of Ardmore, Ben Johnson of Chickasha, Ned Holman of Guthrie, D. W. Hogan of Oklahoma City and A. C. Trumbo of Muskogee.

A chairman must be named before the organization can be completed. This will be done within the next few days so that Oklahoma may be represented at the Washington meeting on December 14. The members of the Oklahoma cotton loan fund committee were selected largely by New York bankers, who put up a large portion of the cotton loan fund. The appointments are finally ratified by the federal reserve board.

Oklahoma will secure at least \$2,000,000 from the big cotton loan fund. Applications have been made for this amount and the necessary amount of subscriptions of money have been procured in the state to insure \$2,000,000 to be loaned on Oklahoma cotton.

Work Will Be Rushed. W. R. Harrison, secretary of the Oklahoma Bankers' association, said today that the bankers have been waiting for copies of the plan and application blanks and that as soon as these are received the work will be rushed to completion.

Letters have been mailed by the general cotton loan fund committee at Washington to chairmen of state committees asking them to organize at once so that they may be in readiness to handle the fund.

Oklahoma bankers have already subscribed in excess of \$5,000,000 to the cotton loan fund. Under the rules the state will receive four times as much money for loaning on cotton as it subscribes to the fund. It is expected that the receipt of this money will inject new life into commercial affairs of the state and entirely relieve the cotton situation which has caused some embarrassment to the business interests. The injection of \$2,000,000 into the avenues of commerce in this state, it is believed, will entirely restore normal conditions and have the effect of greatly stimulating the price of cotton.

WEST REFUSES TO HEAD JURY

Attorney General Will Not Conduct Pottawatomie Probe as Requested By Citizens.

Governor Cruce has received letters from Pottawatomie county citizens asking him to designate the attorney general to conduct the grand jury which has been called for that county and will meet on December 8. It is said the jury may be called upon to investigate certain things in the county in which the present county attorney should be relieved from acting, and it is urged that the attorney general or some one from his department be sent to handle the work.

S. P. Freeling is at present county attorney of Pottawatomie county and is the attorney general-elect. It is understood that an affidavit made by one of the citizens of Shawnee had something to do with the calling of the grand jury.

The communications of the governor were transferred to Attorney General West by Governor Cruce with the instruction that the attorney general could act as he saw fit.

Attorney General West this afternoon wrote a letter, a copy of which he sent to the governor, in which he declines to take charge of the Pottawatomie county grand jury as requested. The attorney general points out that either the grand jury or the county commissioners may act in designating some one to take charge of the grand jury and if County Attorney Freeling is disqualified the district judge can proceed to make an appointment.

Mr. West does not deem it wise, in view of the fact that his term is so near at an end and the attorney general-elect is involved in the controversy, for him to take charge of the special grand jury. Attorney General West suggests that the matter may be taken up later if necessary with the new state officials after they are installed into office.

WILLIAMS DEPARTS

Governor-Elect Goes to St. Louis and Other Places—Escapes Office Seekers.

Office seekers who have been thronging the apartments of Governor-elect R. L. Williams will be compelled to take a vacation for a few days.

Judge Williams today left for St. Louis, and possibly other points outside the state to be absent from Oklahoma one week. The governor-elect would not state on what business he was leaving Oklahoma nor what would be his final destination, probably desiring to escape to a place where of five hunters could not even reach him with a telegram or letter. The apartments of the next governor in the Lee-Huckins hotel for the past week have been visited by many callers who have kept Judge Williams busy giving interviews from morning until night.

CITY ART COMMISSIONS URGED IN JOINT MEETING

Washington, Dec. 5.—The convention of the American Civic Association and the American Institute of Architects were brought to a close here Friday night in joint session. Addresses urging municipal governments to establish art commissions and city planning bodies marked the meeting.

WELL KNOWN AVIATOR DIES IN TEXAS; PLANNED SCHOOL

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 5.—Charles A. Terrell, well known aviator of U.S.A. N. Y., died here Friday night of hemorrhage. He came here to establish a school of aviation. Terrell began his professional career in 1910 with Charles K. Hamilton of Philadelphia and was a student of overseas flying and attracted wide attention by his hydro-aeroplane experiments and inventions on this particular kind of craft.